

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2016

In attendance: J. Thomas Hurley, David T. Burnes, Kathleen M. Conlon, Annemarie Fagan, Town Administrator, Emily R. Martin, Executive Secretary

1. Chairman J. Thomas Hurley convened the meeting at 7:04 p.m. in the Cronin Conference Room in the Town Hall.
2. The Board confirmed January 26, February 2, and February 23, 2016 as its next meeting dates, with a meeting scheduled prior to the February 8, 2016 Special Town Meeting.
3. David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the current payroll and vendor warrants.
4. Sarah Mabel-Skillin of 256 Central Avenue addressed the Board regarding the Milton Playground Planners, a grassroots group working to improve the four major parks in Town by replacing outdated equipment. Additionally the Planners want to be able to make a gift to the Town of the funds necessary for the upkeep of the playgrounds. Ms. Mabel-Skillin noted the group is holding its kick-off event on Tuesday, January 26, 2016 from 7-10 p.m. at Steel & Rye.
5. Consolidated Facilities Director William Ritchie gave his quarterly report to the Board. Mr. Ritchie highlighted the completion rate of projects by his department and the grant award of almost \$350,000 from the Green Communities initiative, as well as almost \$65,000 in energy savings per year. Mr. Ritchie also discussed with the board his request for a new craftsman position and the reorganization of two school employees into the Consolidated Facilities Department.
6. Director of Public Health Caroline Kinsella reported on a meeting she attended on January 12, 2016, held by the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources regarding budgeting for mosquito control. As the Districts of the State do not have community votes to determine budget funding, the MDAR accepts budget proposals from each District for review and certification to forward to the Office of the Comptroller to satisfy statutory funding standards. The MDAR requires certification that the member community supports the proposed budget. As such, each Town is required to submit a form declaring support or no support of mosquito control funding for FY2017. Ms. Kinsella informed the Board that Milton's total assessment estimate is \$80,369, and that residents are able to request either their property to be sprayed or not sprayed for mosquitos through the website www.norfolkcountymosquito.org.

Kathleen M. Conlon moved, David T. Burnes seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve a declaration of support of mosquito control funding for FY2017 for the State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board, and to authorize the Town Administrator to sign any related documents on the Board's behalf.
7. Police Chief Richard Wells addressed the Board regarding an educational trip to Israel for local law enforcement officers to learn counterterrorism strategies and tactics, which is being

sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League. As the cost of the trip is valued at over \$50, Chief Wells submitted a Disclosure of Appearance of Conflict of Interest form to the Board for approval.

Kathleen M. Conlon moved, David T. Burnes seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the acceptance of travel and related expenses by Chief Richard Wells to attend a counter-terrorism seminar in Israel being held by the Anti-Defamation League of Massachusetts from January 24 – February 2, 2016, as it will serve a legitimate public purpose, and that public purpose outweighs any special non-related benefit.

8. Director of Planning and Community Development William Clark reported to the Board regarding the application for a grant through the Quincy Regional Collaborative Economic Target Area. Mr. Clark informed the Board that Milton is one of eleven communities in the consortium, and that participating will be beneficial to Milton if there is any regionalization through the program. Mr. Clark requested the Board sign a letter of support regarding Milton's involvement.

David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to sign and submit letter of support for the Regional Economic Development Organization Grant Program.

9. The Board reviewed the Town's Financial Policies, last updated on February 21, 2008, and will update the policies to make them more current. The Board discussed which policies each member would focus revise. The policies will be discussed at a future meeting.
10. The Board discussed the Town Administrator Search Committee process, noting qualities it wishes the ideal candidate to possess, and what it is looking for in members appointed to the Search Committee. The Board determined it would have a committee charge and member's appointments to the Committee ready for approval at its February 2, 2016 meeting.
11. Kathleen M. Conlon reported that she will attend the Massport CAC meeting on Thursday, January 21, and will request Milton's CAC representative report at the Board's January 26, 2016 meeting.
12. The public hearing for a lit sign at Novara restaurant is scheduled for January 26, 2016.
13. J. Thomas Hurley moved, David T. Burnes seconded, and at 8:20 p.m. the Board voted unanimously, with Kathleen M. Conlon voting yes, David T. Burnes voting yes and J. Thomas Hurley voting yes to enter into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to Non-Union Personnel, and to discuss collective bargaining strategy with regard to Union and Non-Union personnel, believing that having such discussions in Open Session would have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Board, and to return to Open Session for the purpose of adjournment.
14. The meeting adjourned at 10:29 p.m.